

**I. AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:**

*Please replace the Abstract with the following paragraphs:*

Disclosed is a new technological procedure, characterized by a novel purification and drying procedure, for obtaining polyvinylacetate of molecular mass between 10,000 and 40,000 daltons and having high purity expressed in a remnant monomer content less than 2 ppm, water content less than 1.5 weight %, total acidity referred to acetic acid less than 0.5% by weight, peroxide content of 0.0%, and glass transition temperature of 35-39°C, and which is innocuous by oral ingestion as shown in toxicological studies. The polymers of the invention can be used in pharmaceuticals in many different formulations, as the claimed process allows for high purity of the polymers, which can lead to a reduction or avoidance of numerous interactions and reactions between many possible active principles. The high purity of the polymers allows for their use in the granulation process either in solution in a proper solvent or as solid powder.